

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

William M. Hiatt

**Serial No.:** 10/784,436

**Filed:** February 23, 2004

**For:** THROUGH-HOLE CONDUCTORS  
FOR SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATES  
AND METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
MAKING SAME

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**  
May 29, 2007

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**Examiner:** L. Schillinger

**Group Art Unit:** 2813

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed February 26, 2007, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on May 29, 2007 since May 26, 2007, falls on a Saturday and May 28, 2007, is a federal holiday. 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.